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Vacancy at McGrath after Kent departure

BY SARAH WIETEN
Managing Editor

After a six-month tenure at the McGrath Health and Wellness Center, Dr. Kristen Kent, a physician, resigned this week, although the circumstances of her departure remain unclear.

"It was a very hard decision to make because it's a good place to work — the enthusiasm of the nurses and the receptionists for their jobs is like nowhere else that I have worked," Kent said.

Kent has worked at Xavier since August 2010 as a physician in charge of diagnosing and treating students at the Health and Wellness Center. She was also in charge of the center's small medication dispensary, served as the center's testing lab director and was in charge of the automated external defibrillator (AED) system on campus.

No other personnel in the Health and Wellness Center currently hold a comparable position, although multiple contracted doctors serve the center a few hours per week.

Although Dr. Luther Smith, dean of students and senior student affairs advocate, whom the director of health services, Mary Rosenfeldt, reports to, cited "personal issues" as Kent's reason for resigning, Kent gave a different explanation.

"There are some important system and administrative issues that don't have enough input from medical staff, which makes it difficult to provide the best care to Xavier students," Kent said. "This is a broad-based problem that one example would not do justice to."



Newswire photo by Alexa Von Bargaen

The McGrath Health and Wellness Center, site of two physician resignations in a year, is attempting to continue to offer quality health care to students.

The resignation will take effect on Monday, Feb. 21.

"I am working very closely with Mary Rosenfeldt, in order to have a continuity of physician coverage so that students will not see a gap in coverage," Smith said.

This resignation comes in the wake of the departure of Dr. James Konerman, the center's former medical director, last year. Smith

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Xavier provost search narrows to final two

BY JOHN SCHROECK
Features Editor

Two candidates remain in the running to be the new provost and chief academic advocate of Xavier University.

Dr. William Madges of Saint Joseph's University and Dr. Scott Chadwick of Canisius College are the final candidates in a search that has been narrowed down from an initial pool of 52 over the past several months.

In January, five semi-finalist candidates were invited to campus for a round of interviews. The provost search committee, made up of 11 administrators, faculty and staff members, recommended three of the five semi-finalists to Xavier President Fr. Michael Graham, S.J.

From the three recommenda-

tions, Graham chose Madges and Chadwick to return to campus for a final round of interviews.

This week, the candidates were both vetted on campus by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, an independent corporation that accredits degree-granting post-secondary educational institutions.

They also interviewed with the University Planning and Resourcing Council (UPRC) and Fr. Graham.

The final decision for the position will be made by Graham.

Dr. Steven Herbert, head of the search committee said the provost works very closely with the president, so the two need to

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SGA executive elections

Wednesday Feb. 16 - Thursday Feb. 17

Three tickets, all comprised of Student Government Association members of various experience levels, are currently running in the online SGA executive elections.

The elections will be held Wednesday, Feb. 16, and Thursday, Feb. 17, under the "Student Services" tab on the portal.

The first ticket is composed of presidential candidate junior Nick Albin, administrative vice president sophomore Jimmy Geiser and administrative vice president sophomore Morgan Zuziak.

The second ticket is composed of presidential candidate junior Ryan Alleman, administrative vice president junior Ricardo Martinez and administrative vice president junior Lydia Gerlach.

The third ticket is presidential candidate sophomore Kyle McDermott, legislative vice president junior Travis Moose and administra-

tive vice president freshman Katie Keller.

All three tickets have expressed a desire to increase student input on SGA activities by more frequent conversations with students and increased accountability.

Albin's ticket stressed the student input by speaking with more than 30 student organizations to form a platform, one they have called "the next chapter" of Xavier history.

Meanwhile, while forming its platform with the help of clubs and student leaders, the Alleman ticket has focused much of its proposed effort on budgetary concerns within SGA.

McDermott's ticket is focused on smaller initiatives that each of the three members have collected during their time on campus, along with the opportunity to offer a fresh perspective with younger student representatives.

—Doug Tifft

Meet the candidates



President: Ryan Alleman
Junior, finance and entrepreneurial studies major
• Experience: Three terms in senate

Legislative Vice President: Ricardo Martinez
• Junior, political science and international studies major
• Experience: Two terms in senate

Administrative Vice President: Lydia Gerlach
• Junior, international studies and international business major
• Experience: One term in SAC

Platform: What students and clubs want
Biggest challenge: Campus safety

President: Nick Albin
• Junior, finance and Spanish major
• Experience: Two terms in senate

Legislative Vice President: Jimmy Geiser
• Sophomore, Philosophy, Politics and the Public and economics major
• Experience: Two terms in senate

Administrative Vice President: Morgan Zuziak
• Sophomore, management and marketing major
• Experience: Two terms in SAC

Platform: Based on increasing student input
Biggest challenge: University expansion and integrating new parts of campus



President: Kyle McDermott
• Sophomore, philosophy major
• Experience: one term in senate

Legislative Vice President: Travis Moose
• Junior, international business and English major
• Experience: One term in SAC

Administrative Vice President: Katie Keller
• Freshman, biology major
• Experience: One term in SAC

Platform: Solidarity, service and success
Biggest challenge: Maintaining the campus atmosphere



For in-depth coverage of each ticket's platform visit xavier.edu/newswire for transcripts of interviews with the candidates

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Photos courtesy of respective campaigns

Mock wedding planned for April

Rabbi Ingber relates traditions of four religious beliefs at XU

BY MOLLY BOES
Assist. News Editor

This April, two unidentified Xavier students will be coming together on the greenspace, weather permitting, and celebrating a simulated multi-cultural wedding.

Interfaith Community Engagement along with Rabbi Abie Ingber and a board of students are banding together to make this event possible.

The goal of the project is to expose Xavier students to various wedding traditions of the religious faiths of Hinduism, Catholicism, Islam and Judaism.

Exact details concerning the parts of each ceremony to be used have yet to be determined, but the committee, comprised of students from Interfaith Community Engagement, will work together in determining the most meaningful traditions.

These different parts will then be combined into one united ceremony.

Along with the people on the committee, Ingber is reaching out to community members to help with the event.

“What we will do is have a member of the Hindu community, Muslim community, Jewish community and the Catholic community come together and, identifying two or three elements in what a Hindu wedding ceremony would be like or a Jewish wedding ceremony, that those elements would be part of a multi-cultural,



NewsWire photo by Andrew Matsushita

Rabbi Abie Ingber and a committee of students are banding together to put on a mock wedding featuring traditions for four different religious beliefs: Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Catholicism.

multi-faith wedding ceremony,” Ingber said.

Along with a ceremony featuring different components of these four traditions, the committee wants to have an officiant from each religion attend the ceremony in order to oversee and briefly explain each component of their belief.

In addition to planning a wedding ceremony, the committee also wants to plan a reception combin-

ing the different traditions.

The different religious community members that have agreed to participate will be asked to provide traditional wedding foods for the reception as well as traditional dances.

“In a sense, it’s like a tasting of all these different faith traditions, but in a substantive kind of way,” Ingber said.

Details for the event, such as the names of the two students

getting “married,” are still being deliberated, but the tentative date is in April and will, tentatively, be located on the greenspace.

With this event, the committee hopes that students will learn about different religious traditions that they may not otherwise experience.

“Whatever you experience can never be unexperienced,” Ingber said. “What we want to do is to create an experience.”

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said the resignations were not related. “This is an unusual situation. Dr. Konerman was here for 20 years, while Dr. Kent was just here for a few months. This was a personal situation that I cannot go into detail on,” Smith said.

Konerman, however, echoed Kent’s sentiments in a letter to the *NewsWire*. “Xavier needs a new model designed by those who provide the care,” he wrote. “I hope Dr. Kent’s departure will produce appropriate changes.”

“Now our next step will be to fill the position with someone new. We will be working toward that in the next few weeks,” Smith said.

Dr. Kent said she has interviewed for similar positions elsewhere and is eager to begin a new phase in her life.

Rosenfeldt, director of health services, could not be reached for comment.

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be able to work together.

Good rapport with the president is not the only needed qualification for the position.

Graham will choose the candidate that is best suited to help progress Xavier into the future, Herbert said. The final decision will come down to the candidate who is the best qualified and has

the best skill set.

Madges is a graduate of Xavier University and worked as theology chair through 2006. He currently teaches at Saint Joseph’s in Philadelphia.

Chadwick is currently vice president for academic affairs, a position similar to that of the Xavier provost, at Canisius, a Jesuit university in Buffalo, NY.



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Dr. William Madges left the role of theology chair ay Xavier in 2006.



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Dr. Scott Chadwick holds the position of vice president of academic affairs at Canisius College.

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Physical Plant goes green



Physical Plant obtained several solar-powered vehicles to promote and illustrate Xavier's efforts of going green.

BY KRIS REILLY
Staff Writer

New bold graphics and solar-powered roof panels have made Physical Plant's solar-powered carts a lot more visible on campus. These low speed vehicles (LSVs), acquired over the past year and a half, are an important part of Physical Plant's day-to-day travel around the grounds of Xavier, employees say. Now, Physical Plant has become more noticeable thanks to a new colorful design with "solar-powered" written on the side of the carts. As the campus became less accessible for vehicles, Physical Plant sought a more pedestrian-friendly mode of transportation as well as

a way to reduce pollution, noise and gasoline consumption. The club carts offer just that. In fact, the solar-powered LSVs are so quiet that Physical Plant staff often find themselves utilizing the carts' horns so students know they are approaching. These solar-paneled carts exemplify Xavier's commitment to sustainability. "On a sunny day, one-fourth of a cart's battery is recharged, powering the equivalent of traveling a full workday's distance of eight miles", said Mark Hanlon, associate director for operations of Physical Plant. Although at night the LSVs are plugged into an outlet to ensure a full charge, the carts are self-sustainable and prove one more way Xavier is going green.

Relay for Life steps up

BY KEVIN TIGHE
Staff Writer

Completing what it called a successful year, Xavier University's Relay for Life increased its fundraising goal to a record high — again. Xavier University is home to one of the many Relay for Life events that benefits the American Cancer Society. All donations and profits go directly to the American Cancer Society for research, support and care. "We have increased our fundraising goal to \$46,000," said senior Meghan Fischer, a tri-chair with senior Nathan Locklear and senior Kristin Niemiller for this year's relay. That is an \$11,000 increase from last year's goal of \$35,000. "We reached our goal last year, so they upped it a lot more," said Fischer, "We're excited to try and reach this new one." This year's relay has more subscribed teams than last year at this point in time, but organizers hope

to ultimately increase the current number of 20 to 40. This year's 18-hour overnight event will be held April 15-16, from 3 p.m. on Friday to 9 a.m. Saturday on the greenspace. "It's about celebrating people who have battled cancer, remembering those who have been lost to it and helping to fight back against the disease," said Fischer. "My mom died of cancer when I was eight, so I have a personal attachment to the relay." Last week the Relay for Life committee painted the campus purple to raise awareness of their upcoming event. With the new theme being "Operation: Find A Cure," Xavier University's Relay for Life hopes to — through fundraising, food and entertainment such as games and a DJ — fight a disease that continues to affect everyone. An information night for those interested in the event will be held from 8:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23 in Gallagher Student Center 214.

Faculty, student forum bridges XU missing link

BY KEVIN TIGHE
Staff Writer

In hopes of increasing communication between Xavier administration and students, the Peer Leadership Team (PLT) and the Student Government Association held an open student forum last semester in the Cintas Banquet Center. Content from the forum, including student questions and panelist answers, was recently made public. During this discussion, students were invited to ask questions related to the expansion of campus, parking, diversity and other concerns they face at Xavier. The discussion panel included: Dr. Kathleen Simons, associate provost for Student Life and Leadership; Dr. Luther Smith, dean of students; Cheryl Nuñez, vice provost for diversity; Robert Clay, director for the Office of Multicultural Affairs; and Lori Lambert, director of Residence Life. Student body president senior Kevin Contrera and student senator junior Ryan Alleman were in attendance as well. Initially, the issue of construction was raised, as a student asked where the new center of campus will be. Simons said that the new residential complex, with the new cafeteria, is intended to be the center of campus. "Xavier Square" or "East Campus," which may eventually include a hotel, retail shops, a new recreation center and office buildings, is still in the works but has no set timeline. Simons also said that Alter will be razed during the summer of 2012 and replaced by 2014.

In relation to the expanding campus size, a student asked what the future holds for expanded occupancy in residence halls. Lambert said that there will no longer be expanded occupancy for upper classmen — unless they select it as a cost savings option. Lambert also said that, depending on the size of the incoming first year class, there may be expanded occupancy for first years, but it is not set in stone. A student then asked a question concerning parking during men's basketball games. Smith said that the policy has been corrected so that Xavier students can get through the barrier on Herald/Ledgewood by showing their All Card to the guards. Parking supervisors should be up-to-date with the policies, but if students experience problems, they can call Xavier Campus Police. Another student asked where Xavier's study abroad stands on the list of priorities for university improvement, because the study abroad program is rather weak in comparison to other similar-sized schools. Nuñez said that Xavier faculty and staff desire improvements for study abroad and that there is support for a Director of Study Abroad position. Additionally, Kevin Contrera made it known that there is a current push for study abroad to receive more funding for next year, and in future years. Robert Clay also explained Xavier's support and desire for diversity; Contrera said there is a current push for an LGBTQ coordinator position. Questions related to dining were not successfully answered, as the proper officials were not

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present. This is a topic that PLT and SGA hope to raise with their next forum. For a fully transcribed form of the forum's results, visit the Office of Student Involvement's website or e-mail either PLT at xuplt@xavier.edu or SGA at sga@xavier.edu. PLT and SGA are holding another similar open forum at 7-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 29 in the CLC Auditorium room 412.

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70th anniversary spices up local restaurant

BY LIZZIE GLASER
Campus News Editor

When it opened in 1941, the cash register at Norwood's Sugar n' Spice breakfast restaurant only allowed entries up to \$9.99. Now, 70 years later, the same cash register still sits atop a counter in the restaurant, just as the same recipe for its famous "wispy thin" pancakes is still used in the kitchen.

In honor of the restaurant's 70th anniversary, owner Steven Frankel is hoping to retell the history of the oldest breakfast establishment in Cincinnati through a series of promotions, most notably the submit-your-story campaign. The campaign asks patrons of Sugar n' Spice to share their stories about the restaurant, whether they are first-time diners or visitors for generations.

"The history of Sugar n' Spice is very rich and centered in the city of Cincinnati," Frankel said. "It has been a part of not only this neighborhood but of everywhere around here, and that's what I'd like to document over the next year. I'd like to gather all those stories from all those generations of people who have been a part of Sugar n' Spice. It's interesting how the relationship between Sugar n' Spice and the city of Cincinnati has grown over 70 years. A lot of things have happened since 1941."

Frankel is the fifth owner of the restaurant, which was estab-



XU junior Sean Comer (left) and Sugar n' Spice owner Steven Frankel discuss promotional events at the restaurant, which celebrates its 70th anniversary this year.

lished in 1941 by Mort Keller after he discovered the recipe for the "wispy thin" pancakes on a trip to California in 1939. Keller owned the restaurant for 25 years, until he sold it to Bernie and Florence Heines, who owned it for the next 10 years. In 1976, it was purchased by Mick Michealson, who owned it until 2001 when it was bought by the Elliott family. Frankel, a good friend of the Elliotts, bought the restaurant in 2010.

Though the time-tested menu — with unique favorites such as the "Red-N-Yeller" grilled cheese and tomato sandwich and the "Cuddlin' Puppy," a hot dog with melted cheese, bacon and relish — will not change, Frankel's ownership brings innovative promotional ideas to keep the rich legacy of the restaurant alive.

In January, Frankel hired Xavier

junior Sean Comer as a student intern to serve as the marketing and promotional director. Aside from heading the submit-your-story website that will begin operating in March, Comer writes blog posts for the restaurant's website, manages its Facebook and Twitter accounts and organizes promotional events to increase Monday through Friday business and to incorporate the Xavier population.

"It's stuff I know how to do, but it's not part of my major or focus in school," Comer said of the job. "But it is something I do want to know how to do and enjoy doing."

In addition to the submit-your-story campaign, Sugar n' Spice will be sponsoring the 20th Annual Basketball Extravaganza, where athletes from the Reds and Bengals compete in a bas-

ketball game to benefit Sojourner Recovery Services. The event begins Sat. Feb. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the University of Cincinnati's Fifth-Third Arena. The restaurant will also donate 3,000 pancakes to the Wyoming Pancake Breakfast on March 19.

Beginning April 1, Sugar n' Spice will be open for dinner Thursday-Saturday until 8 p.m. The restaurant, whose current hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, has not been open for dinner in nearly 35 years.

Frankel, who spends most days at the restaurant chatting with customers and brainstorming promotions, is known for his distinctive customer service tactics. "I'm not a marketing guru," Frankel said. "I just have a lot of stupid ideas. If it works, it works. And if it doesn't, it's not about making money, it's about having fun."

Frankel has an ongoing program called "A dollar for you, a dollar for charity," in which, for every \$10 spent, he gives customers \$2, one for the customer and one for the customer's charity of choice. He hands out business cards that when folded in half resemble a \$100 bill (and offer \$1 off a meal of \$10 or more). He serves "small" glasses of orange juice in tiny, shot glass-sized Coca Cola cups, joking with the customer, "You said small, right?" before bringing them a larger glass. He even bought a bottle of

Grey Poupon mustard for one of his regular customers because she likes to use it with her food.

"I serve what I like to eat," Frankel said. "Tell me what you want, and we'll get it. And if it's not on the menu, we'll try to figure it out."

In addition to promotional events and customer service, Frankel has cleaned up the restaurant. He ordered new uniforms, he bought all new flatware, glasses and pitchers and he brings in fresh flowers whenever he can to contribute to the homey atmosphere.

"Anytime I turn around, somebody's got a great story. It doesn't really seem to matter who you are or what you do," Frankel said. "Everybody always seems to come back to Sugar n' Spice, to a nice home-cooked meal."



The original cash register of Sugar n' Spice.

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Professor Profile: Dr. Jewel Smith

By ROBYN CAMPBELL
Staff Writer

This week, the *NewsWire* had the opportunity to sit down with Dr. Jewel Smith of the music department.

Xavier NewsWire: Where are you from?

Dr. Jewel Smith: I was born in Kansas. I grew up in southern California in a suburb of Los Angeles. I did my undergraduate work in California. I graduated with a Bachelor of Art in music at California State University in Fullerton.

I did my masters at the University of Cincinnati in music education, and my Ph.D. in musicology at the University of Cincinnati at the College Conservatory of Music.

XN: Why did you choose to teach at Xavier?

JS: I love the liberal setting, and I really liked the idea of a small school. I think the students at Xavier are just phenomenal. I've taught at other places too, but I find the students at Xavier warmer and friendlier.

Students here are just so caring, and I find the atmosphere around the school really inviting and I just love it! It's fun working with people who really are personable – like family. And that's important.

XN: What did you do your dissertation on for academic writing?

JS: I did it on a very famous school in the 1800s. It was called

the Moravian Young Ladies Seminary, a liberal arts school for women that provided phenomenal academic and music education.

It was highly regarded, drawing women from all over the country, as well as abroad, from such places as Ireland, Mexico, islands of the West Indies and Canada.

Being so highly regarded, the waiting list to enter was over a year long. Today, it's called Movarian College and located in Bethlehem, Penn.

XN: What made you choose music out of all the majors out there?

JS: From childhood, I've just loved music. It's always been a part of me. I started piano when I was very young. My mom started teaching me when I was around five, so I've been playing for a long time.

XN: How many instruments can you play and what's your favorite?

JS: I play piano, organ somewhat, flute, clarinet a little bit and saxophone. My favorite is definitely piano.

XN: Who's your favorite composer?

JS: That's a hard one. I really like Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel because her pieces are absolutely beautiful. As far as male composers, I really like the 19th century – Beethoven, Chopin, Schubert and Brahms.

XN: What kind of music is on your iPod?

JS: Because I'm a classical music lover, that's really what's there. I know there are some really nice contemporary songs, I just haven't taken

time to download them yet.

XN: What is your favorite class to teach?

JS: That's a really hard call. Last semester I taught the Art of Listening and I really enjoyed it because I was able to meet a variety of students I would not have been able to meet if it had only been music majors. I get to know different people and their different interests.

This semester I'm doing a class on women in music. I'm really enjoying that because I feel that we can really find out a lot more about the subject. Other subjects, like the Art of Listening, I like because they're so broad and you can teach a lot more students.

XN: What is some advice you would give Xavier students?

JS: Stay in the program. It's really easy to get sidetracked. People think, "it's too hard," "I can't do it," "it's too much work" or "I get tired" – everybody gets tired.

It's really easy to quit. In my classes, I tell the students to reward themselves, even if it's nothing more than to go get an ice cream cone. It's important to take it one day at a time. It's so easy to look at the whole picture, even if it's just a semester, and say, "I'm never going to get this done."

It's very easy to be overwhelmed. It's one day at a time, you do what you have to do today and then tomorrow tackle that. Make a list and check it off – it gives you the energy to keep going.

Elliott speaks on prejudice



Photo courtesy of assumption.edu

Jane Elliott spoke at Xavier about prejudice as a part of Black History Month.

By CORY BRENNEMANN
Staff Writer

Jane Elliott visited Xavier University last Thursday evening, spreading her doctrine of acceptance and individual freedom. The event, which was held in the Duff Banquet Room of Cintas Center, was hosted by a plethora of student organizations and served as part of the University's Black History Month slate of events.

Elliott achieved national recognition following the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., using his death as an occasion for her now famous exercise, "The Blue Eyes, Brown Eyes Project." The exercise was meant to educate her third-grade class about racism in the realest form possible, by actually encouraging prejudice by claiming one eye color to be superior to the other.

All of the media attention Elliott received following the experiment, including an appearance on the Tonight Show with Johnny Carson, allowed her to leave her teaching position and become a full-time speaker. Since the middle of the 1980s she has traveled the country teaching diversity, primarily through drawing attention to prejudice.

Upon stepping on stage Elliott immediately commanded the attention of everyone in the room with a dominating personality, which did not let up throughout the two-hour lecture. Elliott was unafraid to call audience members out for failing to obey the four rules of listening — rules she drilled into the heads of all those in attendance during the first 10 minutes.

The theme of the evening nev-

er changed, although the subjects did. Elliott spent various amounts of time on issues of race, sexuality and gender, with a particular focus on race.

Elliott is a passionate speaker, forcing the audience to feel the pain. She said she feels for those who are prejudiced against. She conveyed her particular disdain for certain politicians, never hiding behind a wall of political correctness and always sticking up for the individual, whether they are American or not.

Elliott also showed she was still a teacher at heart, delivering a handful of book suggestions to the audience as well as clearly demonstrating the substantial flaws in the world map used in public schools across the country. The map is disproportioned in order for North America to appear substantially larger than it actually is, a fact Elliott seems keen on changing.

Throughout the two-hour lecture, Elliott never failed to keep the attention of the audience.

The vast majority of the hundreds in attendance seemed to have taken note of the listening steps she had gone over at the beginning, attentively sitting and waiting for the next line of humor or piece of wisdom to slip from Elliott's lips.

Elliott said she hoped the audience took at least one snippet of wisdom to heart as well. A snippet of wisdom that summarizes the lifetime of Jane Elliott and the purpose of her lecture.

"Peace is living simply," Elliot said. "So that others can simply live."

POLICE NOTES

Feb. 8 12 p.m. - Xavier Police responded to a report of suspicious subjects on Wyer Avenue at the request of Norwood Police. The two subjects were sent on their way.

Feb. 8, 8:17 p.m. - Xavier Police responded to a fire alarm in the Commons Apartment. An investigation revealed that students cooking on the fourth floor activated the alarm.

Feb. 11, 7:21 a.m. - Xavier Police responded to the

Village for damages to a wall in a stairwell. Xavier Police were called again regarding damage to the wall the following hour.

Feb. 12, 1:15 a.m. - Xavier Police responded to the Commons Apartment for a possible fight. Two students were cited for underage consumption and disorderly conduct.

Feb. 12, 10:18 p.m. - Xavier Police responded to Husman Hall for the report of a disorderly student who had previously left a party and was failing to cooperate with resident assistants. A search was conducted but the student was not found.

Feb. 13, 12:35 a.m. - Xavier Police responded to the report of a student party on the 3800 block of Winding Way. The party was disbanded.

Feb. 13, 1:41 a.m. - Xavier Police stopped three students in the Village for underage consumption.

NOTE OF THE WEEK

Feb. 13, 2:29 a.m. - Xavier Police and Residence Life responded to a complaint from residents that the apartment above them was bouncing a basketball which kept them up.



NewsWire photo by Greg Rose

A group of five Xavier students toured the Coca-Cola factory in Blue Ash on Thursday to test the Coke Freestyle machine. The machine offers 106 flavors and increased handicapped accessibility. Xavier Dining will receive one of the machines to be placed in the cafeteria in the new residence hall at the corner of Ledgewood and Herald Avenues.

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Let’s just say what we mean

We all lie most of the time. Worse, we constantly believe our own lies, so we can’t really see them for what they are. In real life — that is, real life in the moral sense — the things we say are more directly representative of what we wish we really believed in. I will use an example.

There was a recent column in the *NewsWire* by Adam Frazier about Nike Corporation’s foreign relief efforts in otherwise impoverished countries. I’m joking. Well, there was a column, but what Adam actually wrote about, if I can package it, was that what Nike and many other large businesses do is actually a good thing, and that the situation in these small countries would be far worse if Nike or someone else did not employ their citizens.



PHIL CHEVALIER
Staff Writer

Simply put — the article defended neo-colonialism as a demonstration of capitalist ethics. Seem off to anyone?

I feel as though he didn’t quite voice himself. So here, I use my column space to do something for him. I will now say the things that, in my opinion, he actually wishes he could have let himself say:

“Our school is good at basketball and business. I like that about our school. If a top-tier corporation wants to throw our school money, I think that’s awesome. I mean, we all know what Nike does is horrific overseas, there’s no defending that. We’re not only talking about a 13-year-old girl getting to be a prostitute, she also gets to sew my clothing (and make my school money in

the process). Sounds like a win-win, because I win twice and she loses twice, is I right or is I right, people? Quit complaining, deadbeats. This is the real world and we happen to be on the winning side of things. “The bums lost, Lebowski! The bums will always lose!”

So, about morality, by which I do not mean the “golden rule” — the golden rule often promotes the kind of lying I am talking about here, and we can see this when we consider our preference of being lied to by others as opposed to being honestly leveled with.

By morality, I am mostly talking about the disposition to say what you honestly mean, defending whatever it is you say (so long as it was meant), and allowing yourself to make assertions on honest grounds. The other option is evident in the article; we see the author trying to formulate an ethical argument in favor of Darth Vader when everyone knows Luke is the good guy.

I believe that what Adam thought he was doing was something much more straightforward and not at all double-sided. When we say most of the things we say

we tend to think ourselves both factually and ethically correct. In that way we play a trick on ourselves. I understand if it’s hard to see the similarity between offering advice to a friend and when we do things like ethically defend Nike, but I ask you to entertain it. And so Frazier probably genuinely sees a lot of good in what Nike does, and that’s why it makes sense that the article he wrote takes on a fairly humanitarian voice. I make this claim assuming he thinks capitalism has an ethical component besides the bottom line.

But capitalism doesn’t have any such component. That’s not what’s great about it. Let’s not kid ourselves. The reasons why Nike’s practices are unethical should be as evident as the distinction between Luke and Vader. And don’t get me wrong; I like Vader. He’s not trying to sell the ethical strengths of the Dark Side; he’s trying to sell it based on its power. I respect Darth Vader’s moral constitution, its only when it comes to his ethics that I take issue.

It is absolutely defensible to come out and say “I like what Nike is doing for Xavier.” It is the only honest approach to say that

most of us simply do not care about the contingent factors of consumer culture. It would be the start of a conversation I would love to have.

But if we’re talking about ethics, no one should have to think twice about how incomprehensibly bad Nike’s foreign practices are. We just enjoy the benefits of them too much to really change anything about our lives. I’ll speak for myself when it comes to this. I don’t care what Nike is doing in any real sense of what it means to care. If I did, I wouldn’t own Nike products. Also, I would be forced to apply that logic to most (if not all) of the brands whose products I have purchased and will continue to use. Ultimately, it’s not very practical, or even feasible, to care.

Here’s my point though: To instead craft some relativistic ethical argument to support indentured servitude is indicative of severe wishful thinking. Further, it marginalizes the ways many people have changed their own lives because they actually do care about the well being of people outside of their immediate sphere. But like I said, we all do this literally all the time.

NOTES & ASIDES

A collection of comments, observations, and general remarks from your friendly editorial staff, intended for your edification and amusement

- With George Clooney directing and acting in a movie being filmed partially in Cintas Center, we wonder whether the area will fall under a smug alert.
- In light of the comments made elsewhere in this issue of the *NewsWire* by Drs. Kent and Konerman, we must express our concern over an issue which has apparently been simmering for some time, but of which we are only beginning to become fully aware. If the doctors are to be believed, and their Hippocratic oaths suggest they are, then there seems to be a serious problem of bureaucratic interference with the healthcare of students. Please, Xavier, don’t let your inability to manage growth affect the health of your students.
- Every year, countless hours of last-minute cramming and paper-writing are lost to hapless dorm residents due to false fire alarms, usually caused by cooking. Every year, too, we witness Physical Plant modifying the alarm system to minimize such occurrences. At a certain point, don’t we have to concede that the problem might just be that Xavier students can’t cook?

Echoes of Nicaragua in recent Egyptian revolution

Inspired by a nearby country, a group of youth begins to plan a revolution within their own land. Frustrated by an oppressive ruler and a corrupt government, they take action, organize and begin a movement for change. They take to the streets, using every means possible to resist oppression. Finally, after struggling for their rights and their freedom, their efforts are rewarded with victory when their tyrannical leader flees. In 1979, the Sandinista Revolution came to an end when Anastasio Somoza Debayle was forced to resign and fled Nicaragua.



RYAN LAVALLEY
Staff Writer

If one follows the news, you may have assumed that this scenario referred to the recent revo-

lutionary victory in Egypt against President Hosni Mubarak. It seems instead that history has repeated itself.

In 1936 a new regime began in Nicaragua, led by the U.S.-educated Anastasio Somoza Garcia, who used the Nicaraguan National Guard to overthrow the democratic government. This coup d’état began a 33 year oppressive, pro-US, capitalist dictatorship that also included both of Somoza’s sons Luis and Anastasio and was supported by US presidents like Franklin D. Roosevelt and Ronald Reagan. Within the Cuban Revolution of the late 1950s in their minds, Nicaraguan youth banded together in resistance to

the tyrannical Somoza dictatorship. In the early 1960s, a group of mostly college students from the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Nicaragua stimulated organization and conversation among the poverty-stricken Nicaraguan people, creating the Frente Sandinista de Liberación Nacional (FSLN).

In 1972, when Somoza embezzled relief funds sent to Nicaragua in the wake of a catastrophic earthquake, the FSLN staged a revolt. After seven years of war against a dictatorship supported politically and financially by the Reagan Administration, the young revolutionaries were able to force Somoza to resign, and took power on July 19, 1979.

Sadly this victory was short lived, as Reagan funded a Nicaraguan counterrevolutionary force called the Contras to destroy the efforts for improvement made by the Christian democratic semi-socialistic Sandinista government. The Contras organized attacks on civilians, social projects, and assassinations of U.S. civilians like

Benjamin Linder.

Coincidentally, the events in Egypt seem to parallel these events in Nicaragua. Inspired by the victorious revolution in Tunisia, in Egypt, again it was youth and university students who banded together as a cohesive force with the objective of changing the government-turned-dictatorship which had consistently extorted and oppressed the Egyptian people since 1967.

When pro-American and pro-Israeli dictator, President Hosni Mubarak, attempted to usher his son into the next presidential position, the Egyptians had had enough. Asking for equal economic and political opportunity, the Egyptian people non-violently protested for their rights, leading the government to begin police action and to shut down all internet access.

Finally, after riots, beatings and deaths, President Hosni Mubarak resigned on February 11, 2011, leaving the army council in control of the country’s new

government.

With anticipation and optimism, Egyptians, young and old, continue to fight for their rights. Many U.S. citizens hope there will not be a repetition in northern Africa of the disastrous actions of the United States in Nicaragua. Many support President Obama in standing by the rights of the Egyptian people to have freedom and opportunity, as he has said he will do. There is hope that a non-oppressive government formed by and for the people will remain as top priority in the minds of both Egyptian and U.S. leaders, no matter the cost.

Finally, empowerment again infiltrates the youth of countries all around the world. This is yet another example of not only the power of the student and young person but the power of the people emerging in Egypt. The youth are the leaders in change, catalysts of hope, and potential for a different world. It is our time to take that responsibility and live up to it.

No. 24 Muskies alone in first in A-10

Win at Duquesne gives Musketeers control of their own destiny

By SCOTT MUELLER
Sports Editor

Head coach Chris Mack has helped continue a culture of winning at Xavier, one that has the men’s basketball team in position for a fifth consecutive regular season Atlantic 10 championship. Perhaps no one knows the winning culture better than senior Danté Jackson. His career-high tying 19 points fueled the Musketeers into sole possession of first place with a 71-63 victory over Duquesne.

The win propelled the Musketeers to a No. 24 ranking in the AP poll, the first time they have been ranked this season. Xavier is one of eight schools to have both its men’s and women’s basketball teams in the AP Top 25.

“After we got beat by Charlotte, we knew that we would have to come here and decide who would

take control [of the A-10] for the time being,” Jackson said. “It feels great. Our team really worked hard for it, and that’s why it feels so good.”

Duquesne is the A-10 highest scoring team, averaging more than 80 points a game. They play a fast up-tempo style of basketball, one that can frustrate teams without a solid ball handler.

The Dukes rely on fast guards and forwards to compensate for lack of height. The tallest significant contributor for the Dukes is 6-foot-7.

“Coming into the game, we, obviously, were very worried with the type of style Duquesne plays,” Mack said. “They’re fanatic. They steal the ball. They turn opponents over at an alarming rate.”

Coming into the game, the Dukes forced a turnover on 28.5 percent of possessions. They

managed to force 20 Xavier turnovers, but the Musketeers did not allow the turnovers to lead to a lot of fast break points.

“They pressure the ball, they run around crazy and they try to make you turn the ball over,” junior Tu Holloway said. “Coach Mack is going to talk to us about turning the ball over, but we expect that Duquesne [forces turnovers].”

With eight minutes left to play in the first half the Musketeers held a 10 point lead and were playing at the tempo they wanted, but the Dukes rallied.

Coming out of a timeout, the Dukes were able to pick up the pace. They blitzed the Muskies for six quick points to cut into the lead.

Duquesne took the lead with a minute to play in the first half. The Musketeers trailed by one at halftime.

The under-sized Duke front-court recorded just as many rebounds as the Musketeers and beat the Muskies in points in the paint in the first half. The Dukes also won the fast break point battle 7-0.

The Dukes continued to play at their pace in the beginning of the second half, stretching their lead to six with 12 minutes to play. Sophomore Mark Lyons also fouled out with 12 minutes to play. Three of his fouls were offensive fouls.

Knowing they needed to step



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Senior Danté Jackson had a career-high tying 19 points against Duquesne. He is 9-12 from three-point range in the last three games.

up with Lyons out, Jackson and Holloway took over the game and led the Muskies both offensively and defensively. They led the Musketeers on a 20-4 run, and held the Dukes without a field goal for over nine minutes.

After Lyons fouled out, the Musketeers focused on controlling the pace more effectively. They held the Dukes to just four points in the paint in the second half and out-rebounded Duquesne 25-16 in the second. Duquesne scored just 26 points in the second half.

During the 20-4 run, Holloway scored 10 points and Jackson had

six. Jackson has found his three-point range again and is 9-12 from behind the arc in the last three games.

“I’m more aggressive in the second half,” Holloway said. “In the first half, I try to allow my teammates to get into a little rhythm. In the second half, I feel like when the game is closer it’s time for me to try to take over the game.”

The Musketeers will take on Saint Joseph’s at 7 p.m. tonight at Hagan Arena. The Hawks are 2-8 in the A-10, but have won their last two games against Massachusetts and Fordham.

A look ahead

With six games left in the regular season, the Musketeers are in first place in the Atlantic 10 and control their own destiny as they go for a fifth consecutive regular season championship. None of their remaining opponents currently have a winning record in the A-10. Here’s a look at their remaining schedule.

Opponent	Date	Time	Record
At Saint Joseph’s	2/16	7 p.m.	7-17 (2-8 A-10)
Fordham	2/19	8 p.m.	6-17 (0-11 A-10)
La Salle	2/22	7 p.m.	12-14 (4-7 A-10)
At Dayton	2/27	1 p.m.	17-9 (5-6 A-10)
Charlotte	3/2	7 p.m.	10-14 (2-8 A-10)
At Saint Louis	3/5	2 p.m.	8-16 (3-8 A-10)

Baseball set to open season Friday

By JOHN WILMHOFF
Staff Writer

Basketball season is winding down, and the start of the spring sports season is near. Most of this winter’s snow has melted and temperatures are predicted to reach the mid-fifties this week in Cincinnati, just in time for the start of college baseball season. In the Major Leagues, pitchers and catchers will be reporting this week to spring training. The Reds pitchers and catchers report today in Goodyear, Ariz., hungry to repeat last year’s division title.

The Reds, however, aren’t the only ball club in town that has enjoyed some recent success and are hoping for more in 2011. In 2009, the Xavier baseball team had a breakthrough Atlantic 10 Tournament Championship and NCAA Tournament appearance. They followed up the strong finish with an 18-9 conference record a year ago.

Now, with 26 returning lettermen from last year’s squad, the Musketeers look to take a major step forward in 2011. The club opens up the season on Friday, Feb. 18 in Spartanburg, S.C., against Wofford.

In the A-10 preseason coaches’ poll, the Musketeers were picked to finish second in the league and garnered one first-place vote.

Charlotte was picked as the favorite by the coaches, and has won three of the last five regular season conference championships. Rival Dayton was picked to finish third, just behind Xavier. Saint Louis and Rhode Island rounded out the top five and each received one first-place vote.

“I’m not sure we deserve that ranking right now,” head coach Scott Googins said. “But it shows that we’re starting to earn respect. We were ranked 12th and 13th my first few years here.”

Individual expectations are equally as high for the Musketeers. Xavier senior first baseman Ben Thomas was voted as the most feared hitter in the A-10 by the league’s coaches.

Thomas hit .359 last season with 13 home runs. Last year, Thomas was the cleanup hitter for the Musketeers. This year, however, Googins says that he will likely move him up to third in the lineup.

In the same survey of coaches, compiled by College Baseball Insider, Thomas was also named one of the best pure hitters in the A-10 and fellow seniors Phil Bauer and John McCambridge were also recognized by the coaches for their defensive skills. Googins was named as the best game coach in the league.

After three games in



Photo courtesy of goxavier.com

Senior Ben Thomas was voted the most feared hitter in the Atlantic 10 by the conferences coaches. Thomas led the team with 13 homeruns and 69 RBI last season.

Spartanburg, S.C. this weekend with Wofford, George Mason and South Carolina Upstate, Xavier will travel the following weekend to another warm destination, Birmingham, Ala. to face UAB in a three game series.

“We start out against warm weather teams that have had the benefit of practicing outside, but we can’t use that as an excuse, we just have to come out and play,” Googins said.

Xavier will get a chance to play at home March 2, when they host

Indiana in the Hayden Field opener. In addition to hosting Indiana, the non-conference schedule is highlighted with individual games at Ohio State and Kentucky, three games with crosstown rival Cincinnati and a three-game weekend series at Louisville.

Indiana, Kentucky and Louisville are all projected to be NCAA Tournament at-large teams by College Baseball Daily. Louisville was also picked 21st in the nation in the initial *USA Today* Coaches Poll.

“We want to see where we stack up against the SEC, Big Ten, and a nationally ranked Louisville team,” Googins said.

Overall, Xavier returns a lot of talent from 2010. However, they did lose four quality starters from last year’s team, in terms of both production and leadership. The Muskies will try to replace Bobby Freking, Zac Richard, Drew Schmidt and junior left-handed pitcher Tommy Shirley, who was drafted in the ninth round of the MLB draft by the Houston Astros.

With just days remaining until the opening weekend in South Carolina, starting spots are still up for grabs.

“Our defense will be anchored by [senior] Phil Bauer at shortstop and Ben Thomas will stay at first base and bat third, but we have three guys competing for second base and spots also up for grabs in left field and at designated hitter,” Googins said.

Xavier is coming off of four straight A-10 Tournament appearances and four straight seasons with fifteen or more wins in league play.

“I do look at our 18-9 regular season conference record [last year] as progress, but our goal is to win the conference championship and make it to the NCAAs,” Googins said.

Golf opens season

By KYLE ISAACS
Staff Writer

Despite the chilly weather in Cincinnati, the men's golf team started out the spring season hot. It traveled to Tampa Bay, Fla. for The Match Play Invitational. The Musketeers finished the weekend 3-1, defeating three Big East teams along the way: DePaul, Connecticut and Marquette.

The 16-team tournament differed from a normal golf invitational in that teams competed with one another to determine who advanced in the bracket. This was the first time that Xavier had played in a bracket-style tournament.

Head coach Doug Steiner was pleased with the team's performance in the tournament format because the NCAA Men's Golf Tournament now uses this head-to-head style. "This format is good for Xavier because it allows our guys to focus on beating their opponent," Steiner said.

Xavier's first opponent of the weekend was DePaul University. Juniors Sebastian MacLean and Chris Burger each won their individual matches while senior Alan Glynn tied. The Musketeers were

able to beat DePaul in the tie-breaker in order to advance to the next round to face the University of Connecticut.

Xavier easily handled the Huskies, defeating them 4-1 behind strong play from MacLean, Burger, senior Peter O'Neill and sophomore Aaron Siekmann.

Xavier then entered into the tournament's "final four," in which they faced Ball State University. While MacLean picked up another win for the Musketeers, the team fell short and was defeated by the Cardinals 3-1.

The men returned to action later in the afternoon to face Marquette University in the consolation bracket. The Musketeers finished the weekend strong with a 3-2 victory over the Golden Eagles behind victories from MacLean, O'Neill and Burger. The defeat of Marquette earned the Musketeers a third place finish at the Match Play Invitational.

The purpose of the tournament, according to Steiner, was to "get a head start on the spring season and be competitive."

The men have a month's break before their next tournament. On March 11, the men head south to



Photo courtesy of goxavier.com
Junior Sebastian MacLean recorded a victory in all four of his matches this weekend.

Pinehurst, N.C. for the Pinehurst Invitational. Steiner is excited for the upcoming spring season. "Our guys have good team chemistry, so I have great hope that we will do well in the spring," Steiner said.

Track set for A-10s

By SABRINA BROWN
Staff Writer

With the Atlantic 10 Indoor Track Championships this weekend, the Xavier track team had one last meet to prepare. Despite resting some of their stars, the Musketeers still managed to set five school records at the Cedarville Invitational.

Juniors Emily Tyler, Brittani Peltz and Nick Williams and freshmen Evan Betts and Craig Krcal set school records.

The first school record was broken by Tyler in the 55-meter race which was run by Xavier for the first time this year. Tyler set the school record at 7.45 seconds, a time that also earned her third place in the event.

Betts set a new record in the 55-meter hurdles with a time of 8.03 seconds and placed eighth in the finals with a time of 8.21 seconds.

Williams broke his own previous school record in the 55 meter dash. He beat his own time by a tenth of second with a time of 6.56 seconds.

Peltz set a new record in the 200 meter distance. She had a time of 25.44 seconds, and last Friday's meet makes the sixth consecutive

meet in which Peltz has broken a school record.

Krcal set a new school record in the pole vault event which is new to Xavier's track and field this year. He set a personal and school record after clearing 4.55 meters, earning him second place in the event.

The meet left the Musketeers ready to travel to Rhode Island for the A-10 Indoor Championships this weekend.

"We have the potential for some good performances," head coach Dan Flaute said. "We want to continue to progress and do better than last year's squad."

Peltz is currently ranked first in the conference in the 400 meter. Senior Tommy Kauffmann is ranked first in his division in the 5,000 meter.

"We also have a number of other people who have potential to step up and score significant points for us this weekend," Flaute said.

Flaute has high hopes for the team at the championships this weekend, and the season has built up to this weekend's events.

"As a whole, I'm excited about the progress we're making," Flaute said. "We're a very young team with a lot of talent to get better."

Harris scores 2,000th career point

Victories over Richmond, Fordham keep XU perfect in A-10

By JOCELYN TAYLOR
Asst. Sports Editor

The No. 6 Musketeers maintained their position atop the Atlantic 10 with a 10-0 record after beating Richmond 79-57 and Fordham 77-55 last week.

Senior Ta'Shia Phillips and junior Tyeasha Moss led the way for the Muskies with 21 points each in the game against Richmond. Senior Amber Harris had 13 points and 11 rebounds.

Harris scored her 2,000th point early in the first half after the Musketeers jumped out to a 10-0 run over the Spiders.

"It feels good. I didn't know until people kept writing me on Twitter and someone called me and told me," Harris said regarding being a part of the 2,000-point club. "It's been fun. I know I'm a scorer, but I can also pass the ball and rebound. I really just try to play every night."

Richmond's leading scorer, senior Brittani Shells, was the only player getting any offense going for the Spiders. She finished the game leading all scorers with 24 points.

Moss was 4-5 from behind the arc. Three of those shots were in the first half to give Xavier a 36-27 lead over Richmond at the half.

The Musketeers opened the second half like the first with a 10-0 run to jump out to a 46-27 lead over the Spiders. Then both teams went three minutes without making a basket. Richmond finally got to the free throw line at the 14:35 mark to score their first points of the half.



NewsWire photo by Andrew Matsushita

Senior Amber Harris became is the second Xavier player to record 2,000 career points and 1,000 career rebounds.

The Muskies response to the Spiders was another 10-0 run sparked by Moss and Phillips. The Musketeers did not let up after this run and pushed the lead over the Spiders to 30.

"It's never easy. It's always a battle and you just have to be good at battling," Phillips said.

Moss scored a career high 21 points, and senior Special Jennings

had 7 assists, two shy of her career high.

Fordham proved to be no match for Xavier either. Harris led Xavier with 18 points and Phillips recorded a double-double with 12 points and 13 rebounds. Moss finished with 13 points and freshman Lynette Holmes was the final Muskie in double digits with 11 points.

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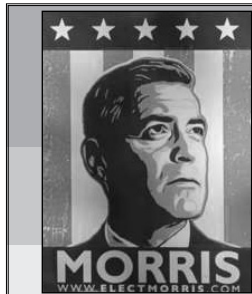
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Clooney on Campus

Or “When did Xavier decide to house a trailer park?”

John Schroeck, Features Editor



Academy Award-winning actor and Greater Cincinnati-area native George Clooney invaded Cintas Center this week to film scenes for his upcoming movie “The Ides of March,” for which he is both director and actor.

Aside from Clooney, the film features an all-star cast including Ryan Gosling, Academy Award-winners Philip Seymour Hoffman and Marisa Tomei, Oscar-nominee Paul Giamatti and Golden Globe-nominee Evan Rachel Wood.

“The Ides of March” tells the story of Stephen Meyers (Gosling), a young, hotshot staffer for Democratic presidential hopeful, Gov. Mike Morris (Clooney), who finds himself caught in a whirlwind of dirty politics during his time on the campaign trail.

The film is an adaptation of the play “Farragut North” by Beau Willimon.

The cast and crew have been in Cincinnati for the past several weeks shooting scenes in various locations around the city.

Sightings across the area have taken a life of their own, spawning “Clooneywatch” on Twitter, where fellow Clooney fans spread the word to each other concerning the whereabouts of the Hollywood star.

Such places include a visit to the Blue Wisp Jazz Club on the evening of Wednesday, Feb. 9., as well as Tuesday’s filming locations in Mt. Lookout and downtown on 3rd street.

Students have speculated as to whether

or not Clooney would film on-location at Xavier since he made a short visit to campus in early November.

Speculations grew further Thursday, Feb. 10 when Clooney was seen sporting a Xavier cap while shooting in Northside.

Those speculations were confirmed early Tuesday morning when a truck was spotted in front of Cintas Center donning an unambiguous sticker reading “Operated By: Ides of March Films, Inc.”

The truck belonged to an electric crew there to pre-rig Cintas Center for Wednesday’s shoot.

The electric crew informed passersby that the shoot would indeed occur Wednesday morning in the “middle arena” of Cintas. Crew members remained ambiguous about any further details, unwilling to reveal anything they were not contractually allowed to divulge.

Cintas Center will be a closed set on Wednesday and student-athletes have been instructed to stay out of the locker rooms.

By Tuesday evening, the truck was gone and was replaced by 10 trailers set up on the concourse in front of Cintas.

One security officer, freshly hounded by a group of excited female students as to when exactly they could meet Gosling and Clooney, told inquirers that the cast and crew would arrive Wednesday around 5:45 a.m.

Cast and crew members directly connected to the film could not be reached for comment.



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1&2.) 10 trailers arrived in front of Cintas Center early Tuesday evening. Many students passed by throughout the evening, some excited for the arrival of the cast and crew, others confused by the addition of white trailers to the campus decor.

3.) A truck carrying electrical rigging equipment arrived early Tuesday morning. Crew members worked into the night preparing Cintas for Wednesday’s film shoot.

4.) Signs were posted at the doors of Cintas, pointing extras as well as cast and crew members in the right direction.

5&6.) Signs were placed around the entrances to campus and the C2 lot, directing crew members to available parking locations.

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Xavier Players to perform
Moliere’s comedy “Tartuffe”



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'Tartuffe,' written by Moliere, tells the hilarious tale of a religious hypocrite.

BY RACHAEL HARRIS
Asst. Arts & Entertainment Editor

This weekend Xavier Players will be performing a play that is a mixture of historical and hysterical.

If this interests you, take a break from studying and head over to the Gallagher Student Center studio theatre this weekend.

At 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 17 to 20, Xavier Players will be presenting Moliere’s “Tartuffe.”

Tartuffe, a religious hypocrite, deceives a wealthy citizen and his family and is promised the daughter’s hand in marriage.

However, this is not enough, as Tartuffe attempts to seduce the wife as well.

Although he is eventually exposed, it may be too late to save the family from a horrible fate.

This comedy touches on many themes, including deceit, blind

piety and the satirization of religious hypocrisy.

The play was first performed in 1664 in Versailles, France.

It was influenced by the style of Commedia dell’Arte, meaning “comedy of art.”

This style of theatre began in mid-16th century Italy and came to be known as that first professional form of theatre.

This style featured masked “types” or “stock characters,” where the characters in the show wore a mask and had a certain stereotype.

Some of these character types include the fool, the lover, the Venetian merchant and the cruel bachelor.

Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door . They can be purchased at the GSC box office, or online at www.xavier.edu/players, or by calling 513-745-3939.

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27: Oscars Night Event- 8PM CLC Auditorium

28: "For Colored Girls" Movie & Discussion - One of the most talked about films of the year is coming to Xavier, featuring the all-star talents of Whoopi Goldberg, Janet Jackson, Thandie Newton, Loretta Devine, Anika Noni-Rose, Kimberly Elise and Kerry Washington - based on the 1975 stage play, "For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuf," by Ntozake Shange. This film features intense content, adult language, violence and is Rated R. There will be a facilitated discussion following the film to debrief the themes and content discussed. Please plan to stay for the entire event.

26: SAC Ski Trip - Buses leave at 8PM. Tickets will be on sale in GSC Wed. the 16th and Thursday the 17th at 5pm.



Random act of kindness week



Photo courtesy of power-of-giving.com

Doesn't this adorable little girl just make you want to start doing random acts of kindness?

BY RACHAEL HARRIS
Asst. Arts & Entertainment Editor

Have you been unkind to someone lately? Or overall been lacking in kindness? Well you may have a chance to redeem yourself this week.

Feb. 14-20 has been named "Random Acts of Kindness Week" by the Random Acts of Kindness Organization.

According to their website, www.randomactsofkindness.org, this foundation "inspires people to practice kindness and pass it on to others."

During this week, people across the country will randomly do nice things for other people and can choose whether they want to be anonymous.

The website features many different kindness ideas, stories of others' acts of kindness and resources among other things.

The site also features quotes to inspire you to commit random acts of kindness and free downloadable 2011 calendars. Each calendar features a different random act of kindness for every day of the week.

The Random Acts of Kindness Foundation is a nonprofit organization established in 1995.

The foundation is the delegate for the World Kindness Movement in which "participating nations promote kindness within their countries' borders and are creating a global network of kindness and compassion," according to their website.

People may choose to participate in the "Extreme Kindness Challenge," in which participants agree to perform one random act of kindness each day of the week from Feb. 14-20. The RAKF Facebook page posts a new kind-

ness idea every day.

"This challenge is a really exciting way to demonstrate how kindness can spread when we all take action," said Marilyn Decalo, director of RAKF, on the foundation's website.

"Our goal is to show how the light of kindness can be passed from one person to another, like a flame passing from candle to candle."

Why not try it out for yourself? Take the challenge and see how kindness can make a difference in someone's life.

"Inspiring others is an act of kindness in itself," Decalo said. "Knowing someone else is participating is the best example, and a great way to do kindness."

So now that all these resources are available, go out and preform some acts of kindness!

Plastic Musik show 'boomwacks' fans

BY BRENT EDWARDS
Arts & Entertainment Editor

The six-man group "Plastic Musik" states on their website that "Plastic Musik" is a unique performance group that utilizes traditional percussion techniques, along with all-plastic instruments to produce familiar melodies."

With this description your reviewer was worried. Would this performance be some fringe musical experience that has the audiences rushing for the exits?

This fear was allayed once they came on, as Plastic Musik proved to be a highly unique group whose skill was unquestionable and enthusiasm viral.

Plastic Musik's instrument of choice is plastic pipes known as "boomwackers." Using these boomwackers along with their DJ's backing, the group was able to produce a wide variety of tunes ranging from Beethoven's 5th, to Missy Elliot's "Get Ur Freak On."

The students watching in the audience seemed a little hesitant at first, as it was difficult at times to understand what song was being played by the group.

Soon enough, however, the audience's ears adjusted to the unique beats produced and they were able to fully enjoy what was going on.

By the last half hour, every song ending was met with raucous applause and demands for more.

Highlights of the night in-

cluded the group calling up five students to help them play a song, and closing the night with "Flight of the Bumblebee." Additionally, the group played a rousing rendition of "When The Saints Come Marching In", which had the audience singing along.

Other crowd pleasers were the theme to the movie "The Sandlot," the Peanuts theme "Linus and Lucy" and the theme to the "Mario Brothers" game.

A great deal of humor also came from the antics of DJ Bon-Pop, who at varying points in the show played with trashbags, spoons and a coat hanger, to produce some interesting songs.

A question and answer session occurred at intermission, during which the audience learned that the group goes through an estimated two to three thousand boomwacks a year.

Additionally, they shared that it can take anywhere from two days to four months to compose a song.

They also stated that they participated in the third season of the television show, "America's Got Talent."

Overall, Plastic Musik was an invigorating free show that showcased a unique group that students would not normally get a chance to see.

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